

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract beginning at page 19, line 1 with the following rewritten Abstract:

Abstract of the Disclosure

Tear-off device for sections (48) of a continuous sheet (18) with a pullout mechanism (10) for the transport of the continuous material (18) and with a tear-off mechanism (12), which has at least two pressure-applying elements (26; 56), which are disposed on opposite sides of the continuous material (18) and of which at least one can be engaged against the continuous material (18) by means of a positioning device, ~~characterized in that~~ with the engagable pressure-applying elements (26; 56) ~~are being~~ constructed as eccentric rollers and can be driven individually or jointly.